

CALL RATIFIED BY THE CHURCH

Venable-Street Wants Rev. William Lunsford.

COMMITTEE TO WAIT ON HIM.

Dr. Hawthorne Preaches at Grove-Avenue Baptist Church—Baptist and Methodist Sunday Schools' Meet.

The congregation of Venable-Street Baptist Sunday morning unanimously ratified the call extended by the committee of thirty to Rev. William Lunsford, of Roanoke.

Immediately after the meeting the clerk of the church sent a telegram to Mr. Lunsford, notifying him of the action of the congregation. He also wrote him a letter.

The church then appointed a committee of five, consisting of Messrs. J. B. Wood, James F. Flannery, Charles E. Arnall, Thomas Stewart, and John T. Gill.

This committee will leave for Roanoke by the 9 o'clock train tomorrow morning to personally notify Mr. Lunsford of his call. The committee will return Thursday.

While it is not yet known whether Mr. Lunsford will accept, the congregation earnestly hopes that he will decide to come, because he is a man of great ability, and much charm of manner.

The services at Venable-Street Sunday morning were conducted by Rev. Edward Pollard.

Dr. Hawthorne Preaches.

Rev. Dr. J. B. Hawthorne, the newly-called pastor of Grove-Avenue Baptist church, preached yesterday morning to that congregation. His sermon was an eloquent one, and was heard by a large number of persons.

In the Baptist churches of the city yesterday collections were taken up for the benefit of the entertainment fund of the Baptist Young People's Union Convention, which meets here July 13th.

At the Second Baptist church, the pastor, Rev. W. R. L. Smith, D. D., in his sermon alluded to the new church which the congregation hopes to build some time in the future.

Baptist Sunday Schools.

The regular monthly meeting of the Baptist Sunday School Association of Richmond and Manchester was held at West View church Sunday afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. In the absence of the president, First Vice-President R. A. Gary presided.

After the usual opening exercises, prayers by Mr. A. J. Channing and reading of the Scriptures by Rev. H. L. Quarles, the reports of the schools were read, showing the following average attendance of officers, teachers and scholars for the month of May: Pine-Street, 42; Leigh-Street, 512; Grace-Street, 429; Second St., First St., Venable-Street, Calvary, 255; Randolph-Street, 24; Baltic, Bridge-Street (Manchester), 28; East End, 28; Grove-Avenue, 20; Church-Street (Manchester), 125; West View, 175; Second Street, 125; Stockton-Street (Manchester), 100; Immanuel, 100; Howard's Grove, 80; Seventeenth-Street Mission, 57; Barton Heights, 88; College View Mission, 60. No reports from Fulton and Oak Grove (Manchester) schools.

Mr. S. B. Woolfin, superintendent of Immanuel school, reported that an afternoon school had been organized by that church, at which the attendance was good.

Mr. J. Taylor Ellyson and Mr. H.H. Montague addressed the association on the subject of the great convention of young people to be held in Richmond next month. They emphasized the importance of Sunday school workers getting all the good they could out of the meetings of this convention.

Professor E. B. Pollard, of Columbian University, made a very earnest and impressive address on the work and mission of the Sunday schools. His speech showed in apt illustrations and whole-some advice.

The feature of the musical programme was the singing of the infant class of West View Sunday school.

The applications of Monroe Sunday school and the afternoon Sunday school of Immanuel church were laid on the table until the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

Methodist Sunday Schools.

The regular monthly meeting of the Methodist Sunday School Society was held Sunday afternoon at Fairmount Avenue church, the President, Mr. Addison Maupin, in the chair and Dr. F. W. Swift, secretary, recording.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Wm. H. Reynolds, after which a most delightful programme, consisting of singing and recitations rendered by the children of the school.

Reports were then submitted from the various schools, showing in the aggregate 25 conversions.

The following encouraging figures were given:

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Broad Street.....	28	65	\$15.89
Clay Street.....	417	66	23.22
Trinity.....	316	60	16.33
Union Station.....	274	58	20.06
First Street.....	302	58	14.18
Laurel Street.....	337	69	25.92
Denny Street.....	445	85	16.32
St. James.....	280	65	13.20
Fairmount.....	343	64	18.94
Barton Heights.....	129	69	8.72
Highland Park.....	129	80	6.86
Little Trinity.....	79	70	4.37
Highland Springs.....	58	67	2.12

Rev. J. T. Houston, pastor of Denny-Street Methodist church, delivered an eloquent address on "The Greatness of Little Things."

A most encouraging report of the condition of Fairmount Avenue School was submitted by the Superintendent, Mr. J. B. Jeter.

The next meeting of the society will be held at Highland Park church the second Sunday in July.

Howard's Grove Church.

The tenth anniversary of Howard's Grove Baptist church was held Sunday morning.

The report of the treasurer showed that the church is practically out of debt. Mr. W. C. Johns, the clerk for the past year, reported the present membership at 128.

The following were elected deacons: Messrs. S. A. Allen, T. J. England, J. B. Burton, George E. Atkins, William H. Dillard, James E. Wooden, and Wheeler H. Huff.

The other officers chosen were: S. A. Allen, church treasurer; T. J. England, assistant treasurer; J. B. Burton, treasurer of the poor fund; James E. Wooden, treasurer of mission boards; John E. Gandy, clerk; P. N. Bliford, auditor; T. J. England, chorister; Mrs. Wheeler H. Huff, organist, and Mr. Robert Rose, sexton.

A collection amounting to about \$25 was taken for the new building lot in Fairmount.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

The usual Children's Day Exercises were held at Broad-Street Methodist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

The church chancel was beautifully decorated with palms and cut flowers. Quite a large crowd was in attendance. The following programme was carried out and well rendered by all who took part:

Voluntary, by choir of the church.

Prayer, by pastor, Rev. Dr. William G. Scott.

"All Praise to Thee," song by school.

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"Children's Day," recitation by Lucy Pell.

"Spring Is Here," song by school.

"Children," recitation by seven children.

"Breakfast Slept," recitation by five little ones.

"Then God Sees Me," recitation by members of infant class.

Song by infant class: "Hear the Pences Drooping."

Solo, by Miss Florence Franklin, of the church choir.

"Emblems of Christ," recitation by nine children.

"The King of Glory," song by school.

Report of the superintendent, Mr. T. A. Harrelson, which showed the school to be in a most prosperous condition.

Address by the pastor on "Thoughts That Walk, Run and Talk."

Song by school: "We shall understand it better."

The exercises, which ended with the benediction, were pronounced the most enjoyable in the history of the school.

The Gospel Wagon.

The programme for services with the Gospel Wagon Sunday afternoon were interrupted by the rain, but the wagon drew up by the side of the Old-Market shed, where a crowd of people soon gathered.

Services were conducted by Rev. G. F. Williams, aided by Rev. Emmett Throckmorton and the Gospel-Wagon choir for over two hours. There were ten requests for prayer and four professions of faith, and deep interest pervaded the crowd.

The Ministerial Union was to have held its regular monthly meeting in the parlor of the Young Men's Christian Association yesterday at noon, but on account of the stormy weather only a few ministers put in an appearance. No business was therefore transacted.

MARRIED IN HAMPTON.

Miss Clara Sanderlin and Mr. L. H. Allen Made One.

Miss Clara L. Sanderlin and Mr. Lawrence H. Allen, both of Richmond, were married last Tuesday night at the residence of the bride's sister, Mrs. William H. Peacock, of Hampton, Va. Rev. A. Woodfin, pastor of the Baptist church, performing the ceremony in the presence of a few intimate friends of the happy couple.

Miss Sanderlin and Mr. Allen went down Tuesday morning from Richmond and soon informed Mrs. Peacock that they came for the purpose of becoming one, which decision met with the approval of the sister.

This was taken owing to the recent death of the groom's mother.

Miss Sanderlin is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Sanderlin, and is a very pretty and accomplished young lady.

Mr. Allen is connected with the Singer Manufacturing Company, and is very popular here. Mr. and Mrs. Allen will reside at No. 58 north Twenty-eighth street.

HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT.

It Will Take Place at the Academy of Music To Morrow Night.

The twenty-fifth annual commencement of the Richmond High School will be held to-morrow night at the Academy of Music at 8:30 o'clock. The programme arranged for the occasion is as follows:

1. Essay—"Our Country." Matthea S. Russell.

2. Oration—Adapted—"Character of Washington." Frank Timley.

3. Song—"Moonlight on the Lake." Mrs. F. W. Winston Carter.

The Tintamarre.

4. Duet—"Fly Away, Birdling." Monica Farlow and Iva Bissell.

5. "A Schoolgirl's Experience." Rosalie Carson.

Address—Rev. Donald Guthrie.

Delivery of Diplomas and Certificates by Hon. J. Taylor Ellyson.

Alleged Trespass.

Jane Simmons, colored, is alleged to have trespassed upon the premises of Peter Wicks, also colored, who keeps a barber shop on south Seventh street.

After she got there she is said to have created a disturbance, and she was promptly arrested and carried to the State Station. Justice Crutchfield will hear the testimony to-day.

Kane Succeeds Rhea.

Representative W. F. Rhea has resigned as a member of the Board of Visitors of the Virginia Military Institute and Governor Tyler has appointed Judge R. K. Kane, of Scott county, to succeed him.

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